

In the Specification:

Please add the following heading before paragraph [0001]:

BACKGROUND

Please add the following heading before paragraph [0005]:

SUMMARY

Please replace paragraph [0005] with the following amended paragraph:

[0005] ~~This object is obtained with a connecting piece of the kind described above and configured as featured in the characterizing part of claim 1~~ One aspect of the present invention provides a connecting piece having first and second sealing elements. The first and second sealing elements are configured for being mutually engageable by moving the male part and the female part axially towards each other to establish a lock keep the first and second units together. The connecting piece also includes separator elements having a face arranged on the female apart and a face on the male part where the facing are in abutment against each other. The faces are such that turning of the first unit in relation to the second unit, an axially extending positive force component is provided for. The separator elements are arranged at an axial distance from the lock.

Please replace paragraph [0010] with the following amended paragraph:

[0010] Provision of a connecting piece according to the invention ~~and as further featured in claims 2-4~~ provides a convenient configuration of the delimiting edge of the female part and the collar of the male part, such that the convenient separation may take place. Since the distance measured between the wave crests is the same all the way around, heeling of the male part when twisted is obviated since the separation forces will be evenly distributed on all sides of the male and the female part. Besides, the shape ensures that the transition between male and female part is smooth and thus tearings do not occur either.

Please replace paragraph [0011] with the following amended paragraph:

[0011] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 5~~ having the first sealing elements including an annularly extending bead arranged on the inner face of the female part and the second sealing elements including an annular recess arranged on the outer face of the male part to provide a lock, one the one hand good sealing is accomplished and, on the other, convenient locking between the male and the female part, and wherein this locking can be heard, as a clicking sound will be generated when the recess travels past the bead.

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 6~~ including the first sealing elements having an annular recess, the delimiting side faces of which are essentially axially parallel with the centre axis of the female part and the second sealing elements have an annular flange for providing the delimiting edge of the male part, a further sealing is accomplished, which sealing as such comprises both the lateral and the medial side of the flange.

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following amended paragraph:

[0013] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claims 7 and 8~~ having delimiting side faces of the annular flange of the male part extending taperingly in relation to the central axis of the flange and converging towards the delimiting edge of the flange and having a medially arranged side face for the annular recess of the first sealing elements including a beveling where the beveling faces laterally, it is accomplished that the flange slides into the annular recess and without a risk of being positioned erroneously during assembly.

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following amended paragraph:

[0014] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 9~~ having one face of the annular band of the female part extending taperingly and converging in a direction towards the annular recess, it is accomplished that the recess will, with the least possible resistance slide across the

bead, while simultaneously the height of the bead as such brings about good locking and good sealing.

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

[0015] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 10~~ having the first connecting unit including a valve, regulation of the liquid connection through the connecting piece is accomplished, since it is the primary objective of the connecting piece to adjust the emptying of bags, e.g. urine bags.

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following amended paragraph:

[0016] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 11~~ having a valve where the valve includes a housing having a displacer means which is displaceable within the housing and perpendicular to the central axis of the first connecting unit, and provided for regulating the passage of liquid in the first connecting unit, a convenient and simple manner of providing the valve's on/off function is accomplished.

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph:

[0017] By providing a connecting piece ~~according to the invention and as further featured in claim 12~~ having displacer means including stops mounted at each end of the displacer means, it is accomplished that there is no risk of the displacer means sliding out of its housing when it is activated.

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended paragraph:

[0018] The invention further relates to use of the connecting piece ~~as featured in claim 13~~, and wherein this connecting piece, typically to the female portion as such, is associated with a catheter or a tubing for being connected to a urine bag, while the male part is connected to a tube or the tubing of a urine emptying bag, the idea behind the invention being that it is to be used for the emptying of leg or night urine bags to large collector receptacles. In that connection the male and female part will

typically be disconnected, since, of course, the displacer means is closed such that no seepage of liquid occurs. When the leg bag is replete, a male part with connection to a collector receptacle is seized and inserted into the connecting piece and the displacer means is displaced to its position such that free liquid passage is allowed.

Please add the following heading before paragraph [0020]:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWINGS

Please add the following heading before paragraph [0027]:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION